

I am very firmly opposed to any weakening of the restrictions on media ownership both by geographic area, across multiple media types, or of too large a share of one media type. I believe that the ownership of media is already concentrated in too few hands. Broadcast media have a profound effect on our elections and other political processes, so the fewer parties that own the media, the fewer political points of view will be heard. Weakening the restrictions on ownership would have other bad effects: it would reduce local content in broadcasting and would limit the types of programming available to the public.